

**CITY OF DEXTER
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023**

The regular meeting of the City of Dexter Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order at 7:01 pm at 3515 Broad St.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners:

Becky Murillo (Chair) – Present
Julie Knight (Vice Chair) – Present
Jamie Griffin (Ex Officio) – Present
Jordan Downing – Absent
Jeanette Frost – Present
Anne Marques – Absent
Melissa Messer – Present
Ron Miller – Present
Joanne Wagner – Present

Student Representatives:

Owen Biggert – Present
Annalena Eisel – Present
Sadie Gehan – Present

Others Present: Josh Tanghe, Assistant to the City Manager

Attending Virtually: Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion by Knight; seconded by Miller to approve the minutes from March 21, 2023 with the following change(s):

- None

Unanimous Voice Vote
Motion Adopted

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Murillo; seconded by Griffin to approve the agenda with the following amendment(s):

- None

Unanimous Voice Vote
Motion Adopted

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

A. CHAIR

B. COMMISSIONERS AND EX OFFICIO

C. STAFF REPORT

Staff gave updates on the following items:

- Signed quote for the Expression Swings have been sent to Sinclair. Roughly a 10-12 week turn-around
- AATU recommendation was approved by City Council
- Staff met with three NHS students to clean up Community Park on April 6th
- Staff applied for a \$100,000 grant through Kubota for funding toward the Mill Creek Park Playground project
- The Grand Street Connector bids were approved and will be on City Council's next agenda
- Gave an update regarding the situation with the beaver dam
- Mentioned the Walk Your Wheels stickers will be going out in the beginning of May

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion of: Arbor Day

The Parks & Recreation Commission discussed the following related to Arbor Day:

- Michelle Aniol, Dexter's Community Development Manager, provided some information related to the City's past participation in Arbor Day and the upcoming Arbor Day festivities
 - Wylie Elementary students will be helping pass out 400 seedlings at locations around the City on April 28th
 - Needed roughly 4 to 6 volunteers to assist with preparation in the morning and throughout the day
 - Members of Parks & Rec volunteered to assist with the Arbor Day activities

B. Discussion of: Easter Eggstravaganza Recap

The Parks and Recreation Commission discussed the following related to the Easter Eggstravaganza Recap:

- Staff provided some highlights related to this year's event such as selling over 130 tickets in the first Egg Scramble after the COVID pandemic and adjustments made to the event formats to improve them
- Staff recommended that for 2024, tickets be \$2 per child without family pricing and to consider increasing the ticket cost to \$3

OLD BUSINESS

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PROPOSED BUSINESS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Murillo, seconded by Griffin to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 pm.

Unanimous Voice Vote

Motion Adopted

Josh Tanghe
Assistant to the City Manager